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March 14, 2003

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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, I am transmitting the following amendment of California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). This amendment includes programming modifications to the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization, portion of the state and applies specifically to Madera County.

- | <u>No.</u> | <u>Description</u>   |
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| 6          | <b>Transit Element</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Programs two Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Program projects in Madera County.<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Programs a project (MPO ID: MAD313025) to provide operating assistance for the City of Chowchilla. The amendment programs total of \$150,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2002/03.</li><li>2. Programs a project (MPO ID: MAD113026) to provide operating assistance for Madera County. The amendment programs total of \$300,000 in FY 2002/03.</li></ol></li></ul> |

See enclosure.

The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis.

In accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between MCTC and the Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG), the COFCG makes the finding of

air quality conformity for Madera County. Documentation is enclosed from the COFCG that satisfies this requirement. The updated programming has been found by the COFCG to conform to applicable air quality regulations. Therefore, this amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. This amendment was prepared under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies and other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

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Enclosures

- c: Karina O'Connor - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)  
Patricia Taylor Maley - Madera County Transportation Commission  
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